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EXDIS/KOOLAIID FOR DAVID ANDERSON ONLY FROM PETER TARNOFF

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SUBJECT: DOMESTIC SPEAKING TRIP ET CETERA

1. IN MY BRIEFING OF MR. VANCE ON THE DETAILS OF HIS  
JANUARY 11 - 13 DOMESTIC SPEAKING TRIP, I MENTIONED TO HIM  
THAT IF SOME SENATORS OR CONGRESSMEN EXPRESSED INTEREST  
IN ACCOMPANYING HIM, IT MIGHT BE NECESSARY TO SUBSTITUTE  
A DC-9 FOR A JETSTAR. IT TURNS OUT THAT THERE ARE NO  
SENATORS OR CONGRESSMEN WHO WILL BE TRAVELLING WITH MR.  
VANCE. HOWEVER, WE HAVE FORMAL REQUESTS FROM ALL THREE  
TV NETWORKS, AP, THE WASHINGTON STAR, NEW YORK TIMES,  
GERMAN TV AND USIA TO HAVE REPRESENTATIVES ON THE PLANE.  
THIS WOULD MAKE A TRAVELLING PRESS PARTY OF 12 - 15 AND  
OBLIGE US TO USE THE DC-9. THE JOURNALISTS UNDERSTAND  
THAT THERE WILL BE NO FORMAL PRESS CONFERENCES ON THE  
TRIP BUT THEY WANT TO COVER MR. VANCE'S ADDRESSES, AND  
ESPECIALLY THE Q&A SESSIONS, SO AS TO PORTRAY POPULAR  
SENTIMENT ON THE TREATY AND THE ADMINISTRATION'S ABILITY  
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TO RESPOND TO COMMON CONCERNS. WE HAVE DONE NOTHING TO  
GENERATE THIS PRESS INTEREST IN ACCOMPANYING MR. VANCE AND  
HAVE POINTED OUT THAT THERE WILL BE BRIEF MEETINGS BETWEEN  
MR. VANCE AND LOCAL PRESS AND MEDIA EXECUTIVES AT EACH  
STOP FROM WHICH THE TRAVELLING PRESS WOULD BE EXCLUDED.

NEVERTHELESS, THE NATIONAL PRESS INTEREST REMAINS VERY

KEEN, AND WE ALL STRONGLY RECOMMEND THAT MR. VANCE CONSENT TO A TRAVELLING PRESS PARTY OF NOT MORE THAN 15. THE AIR FORCE NEEDS OUR DECISION ON THE JETSTAR OR DC-9 BY COB FRIDAY, AND I HOPE THAT YOU CAN GET US WORD BY THEN. PLEASE ALSO DETERMINE WHETHER MRS. VANCE PLANS TO GO ON THIS TRIP.

2. REF SECTO 13104 AND SECTO 13109. YOUR REVISIONS OF THE FORMAL STATEMENT AND TOASTS REPRESENT GREAT IMPROVEMENTS AND, WHILE I FIND THE LATTER STILL TOO LONG, WE HAVE NO FURTHER SUGGESTIONS FOR REVISIONS. GOOD LUCK ON YOUR DISTINGUISHED HUNGARIAN SCIENTISTS, INVENTORS, MUSICIANS AND PAST LEADERS. SIMILARLY THE REVISED TEXT OF THE PRESIDENT'S LETTER TO LOSONCZI SEEMS FINE TO US.

3. YOU WILL NOW HAVE RECEIVED A SECOND MESSAGE FROM DICK GARDNER ON THE NEED FOR A PRESIDENTIAL STATEMENT ON THE ITALIAN POLITICAL SITUATION, IN ADDITION TO HIS EARLIER MESSAGE AND OUR RESPONSE SENT TO YOU YESTERDAY. I WANT TO ALERT YOU THAT THE NSC IS MORE TEMPTED TO HAVE SOME PUBLIC EXPRESSION OF CONCERN THAN WE BELIEVE DESIRABLE BEFORE THE ISSUE IS STUDIED IN AN URGENT BUT SYSTEMATIC WAY. AS YOU CAN IMAGINE, THE CONSEQUENCES OF WHATEVER ACTION WE TAKE ARE CONSIDERABLE. GARDNER HAS SENT IN TWO MORE NODIS MESSAGES ON THE SUBJECT ONE OF WHICH WE ARE REPEATING TO YOU. THE OTHER, IN APPEAL  
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TO MR. VANCE, DICK IS STRONGLY URGING A STOP IN ROME AFTER JERUSALEM. I CAN ONLY HOPE THAT PUBLIC STATEMENTS OF CONCERN WILL NOT BE MADE BEFORE OUR INTERNAL REVIEW IS COMPLETED AND CONSULTATIONS WITH THE ITALIANS AND MAJOR EUROPEAN ALLIES HAVE BEEN ACCOMPLISHED.

4. TED ROWLANDS WILL BE COMING TO WASHINGTON ON HIS WAY TO GUYANA FOR MEETINGS DURING THE WEEK OF JANUARY 16. HE HAS EXPRESSED AN INTEREST IN SEEING MR. VANCE JANUARY 10 OR 11 TO DISCUSS BELIZE DEVELOPMENTS. THERE IS TIME FOR A 30 MINUTE MEETING EITHER DAY IF THE SECRETARY IS AGREEABLE. OTHERWISE, WE CAN HAVE HIM SEE CHRIS.

5. WE WILL BE SENDING OUT TO YOU TOMORROW MORNING THE LATEST VERSIONS OF BOTH MR. VANCE'S NEW ORLEANS SPEECH ON PANAMA AND HIS LOS ANGELES GENERAL FOREIGN POLICY SPEECH. WHEN YOU SHOW THESE TO MR. VANCE ON THE WAY BACK FROM BUDAPEST, PLEASE REMIND HIM THAT HE PRONOUNCED HIMSELF VERY SATISFIED WITH THE INITIAL DRAFTS OF BOTH TEXTS TO TONY AND TO ME WHEN HE REVIEWED THEM BEFORE LEAVING ON THE TRIP. IF MR. VANCE IS ABLE TO HAVE YOU GIVE US HIS

FURTHER REACTIONS ON ARRIVAL HERE SATURDAY AFTERNOON, WE WILL HAVE GROSE AND BERGER STANDING BY TO PUT BOTH IN FINAL SHAPE OVER THE WEEKEND. ON MR. VANCE'S RETURN, WE WILL HAVE FOR HIM THE SHORTER TEXT ON PANAMA THAT HE WILL DELIVER IN CHARLESTON AND LOUISVILLE AS WELL AS HIS Q&A BOOK ON PANAMA. BY MONDAY, WE WILL HAVE A GENERAL FOREIGN POLICY Q&A BOOK FOR MR. VANCE THAT THAT HE WILL NEED FOR ALL PUBLIC SESSIONS, ESPECIALLY LOS ANGELES, AND HIS INFORMAL GATHERINGS WITH MEDIA/PRESS EXECUTIVES ON THE TRIP.

6. THE DEPARTMENT'S BRIEFING MATERIAL FOR MR. VANCE'S SHANNON STOP WILL BE UP TO ME BY NOON, FRIDAY, AND WE  
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WILL TRANSMIT IT TO YOU IMMEDIATELY IF, AS HOPED, IT IS UP TO THE EXTREMELY RIGOROUS, BUT FAIR, STANDARDS THAT WE ARE APPLYING TO ALL SUCH BRIEFING MEMORANDA.

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